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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**  
**MAILED APRIL 10, 2007**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 10, 2007, attached please find the corrected Amendment.

Any questions regarding this matter may be directed to the undersigned.

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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED DECEMBER 1, 2006**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2006, please amend the Application as follows: